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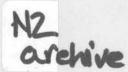
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Alternative Energy Technologies In New Zealand

Commercial Manufacturers

This report lists those New Zealand manufacturers of the technologies commonly known as "small scale" or "alternative". It is a comprehensive list developed from the files of EARTH RESEARCH FOUNDATION and an extensive literature search. In part this has been supplemented by personal interviews and telephonic communication. Work for this report was carried out from March,1980 to May, 1980.

The term "alternative technology" has been developed largely in response to the Western World's emphasis on large scale, "conventional" technologies. The movement towards alternative technologies therefore reflects not only the desire to develop individualistic energy supply equipment, but also to move away from the large scale solution. While there are many definitions proposed for alternative technologies, those listed in this report fall within the definition of "soft" energy technologies given by Lovins in "SOFT ENERGY PATHS" (FOE/Ballinger, 1977):

They rely on energy flows that are always there - whether we use them
or not, such as the sun, wind and vegetation: on energy income, not on
depletable energy capital.

They are diverse, so that as a national treasury runs on many small tax contributions, national energy supply is an aggregate of many individually modest contributions, each designed for maximum effectiveness in particular circumstances.

They are flexible and relatively low technology - which does not mean unsophisticated, but rather, easy to understand and use without esoteric skills, accessible rather than arcane.

4) They are matched in scale and in geographic distribution to end use energy needs, taking advantage of the free distribution of most natural energy flows.

They are matched in energy quality to end-use needs.

It is the realisation of these concepts firstly in technological experimentation and secondly in the reality of commercial equipment that requires fostering in New Zealand. The manufacturers listed in this report are in general not only producing small scale energy equipment, but are often small in scale. Their resources are exceptionally limited, and they cannot be expected to answer a continuous stream of enquiries that hold little promise of real sales. This report is therefor submitted with the request that it be used primarily as a reseach tool by the staff of the Commission, and not made freely available to the general public. This is not to claim that the material given is confidential, but rather that its collection is this form is unique in New Zealand.

Many of the manufacturers listed are skilled not only with respect to New Zealand, but also on an international basis. The development of New Zealand as a geographically isoslated society, with a emphasis on internal self sufficiency has led to many small scale companies. However they have developed in a majority of cases without any government funding or support. In many cases the only benefit they have received has been a negative one in that they have not actively been discriminated against. As small companies they have few facilities for the production of detailed submissions to Government and para-Government grant agencies, and in some cases lack the necessary education to recognise these as a source of funding.

This report has not covered all the users of these technologies - even in a small country such as New Zealand this would be a massive task. An effort in this direction is being made by the COMMISSION FOR THE ENVIRONMENT who are compiling a directory of those actively involved in experimenting with small scale energy technologies on a non-commercial basis. Copies of the Commission for the Environment's report are available from them at no cost. This report does not atempt to duplicate their work.

A brief listing isattempted of some New zealand users of these technologies. This does not claim to in anyway be complete but is supplied at the request of the

A mail survey has been undertaken of all New Zealand solar water heater manufacturers, and the material collected from this will be submitted under separate cover, when all replies have been recevied. The concept of such a listing for all New Zealand alternative energy technologies has been discussed with a number of manufacturers who have indicated their interest in such a publiciation. A separate proposal on this will be made to the COMMISSION FOR THE FUTURE.

Acknowledgements

With any report of this type, numerous people throughout New Zealand have helped in ensuring that all information was as up to date as possible. Special thanks are due to Lindsay Jeffs for his considerable help, and to John Noble for the use of his partnership's word processing. It is to be expected that in a rapidly changing marketplace, new manufacturers will be appearing and old ones fading away all the time. for this list to retain its usefulness it will require regular updating.

While no responsibility can be accepted for incorrect listings, users of this report are requested to inform the author of any mistakes.

Nigel Isaacs June, 1980

PRODUCTS LISTED

Biogas (Methane) Digestors Solar Water Heaters Solid Fuel Burners Water Pumps Wind Generators Windmills - Mechanical WoodGasifier

USERS OF SMALL SCALE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES

Introduction
Users - Assorted
Users - From Commission for Environment Register
Microhydroelectric plant

TOPICS

General
Biogas
Conservation
Gasifiers
Solar
Solid Fuel Burners
Water Power
Wind

BIOGAS (METHANE) DIGESTOR MANUFACTURERS

CARNAHAN-ANDERSON LTD., P.O.BOX 34 074, BIRKENHEAD, AUCKLAND.

MANGOREI INDUSTRIES LTD, P.O. BOX 213, NEW PLYMOUTH.

REID & HARRISON, 7 PERIA RD., MATAMATA.

SHELTER ENGINEERING LTD., P.O. BOX 10 125, CHRISTCHURCH.

TAYLORS ENGINEERING LTD., P.O. BOX 191, CHRISTCHURCH.

SOLAR WATER HEATER MANUFACTURERS

ALSOHEAT, 52A CLYDE ROAD., CHRISTCHURCH.

BRUGGER INDUSTRIES LTD, PRIVATE BAG, WAINUIOMATA.

ASSOCIATED SOLAR POWER LTD., 82 BYRON ST., SYDENHAM, CHRISTCHURCH.

COLT (N.Z.) LTD., P.O. BOX 4182, CHRISTCHURCH.

COMPETITIVE PLASTICS LTD., P.O. BOX 7023, SYDENHAM, CHRISTCHURCH.

ENERGY DEVELOPMENTS LTD., P.O. BOX 6919, AUCKLAND.

I ROGERS AVE, BUCKLANDS BEACH, AUCKLAND.

GEORGE FRY & SON LTD., 88 VICTORIA STREET, CHRISTCHURCH.

P.O. BOX 34 074, BIRKENHEAD, AUCKLAND.

KENT HEATING LTD./SOLAR35, P.O. BOX 23 340, PAPATOETOE, AUCKLAND. M & S GIBSON INDUSTRIES LTD., P.O. BOX 36 222, NORTHCOTE, AUCKLAND.

MARSHALL ENGINEERING LTD., P.O. BOX 91, TAURANGA.

MONORAIL CHAIRLIFT CO., P.O. BOX 10 268, WELLINGTON.

MORRISON INDUSTRIES LTD., PRIVATE BAG, HASTINGS.

P.O. BOX 5197, DUNEDIN.

SOLAR PRODUCTS LTD, 209 MAIN STREET, GREYTOWN.

SOLAR35 LTD., WAIPAPA, R.D.2, KERIKERI.

SOLARTREND ENGINEERING LTD., P.O. BOX 18 157, GLEN INNES, AUCKLAND.

SONNALL SOLAR HEATING, P.O. BOX 83 016, TE ATATU SOUTH, AUCKLAND.

SUNNWAY PRODUCTS LTD., P.O. BOX 14 201, PANMURE, AUCKLAND.

SUNPOWER INDUSTRIES LTD, P.O.BOX 13 037, AUCKLAND.

SUNPOWER POOL HEATERS LTD., C/- 62 NEW WINDSOR RD., AVONDALE, AUCKLAND.

TRANSHEAT LTD., P.O. BOX 20 060, CHRISTCHURCH.

WATERMASTER SYSTEMS LTD, COROGLEN, Via, THAMES.

ZIP HOLDINGS LTD., P.O. BOX 30 669, LOWER HUTT.

FOR INFORMATION ON MAJOR MANUFACTURERS, CONTACT: S.E.M.A., (SOLAR EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION) P.O. BOX 9130, WELLINGTON.

HOME BUILT LOW COST SOLAR WATER HEATER PLANS

WARRICK STUBBS, 302 RANGATIRA ROAD., BIRKDALE, AUCKLAND, 10.

SOLID FUEL BURNER MANUFACTURERS

THE FOLLOWING MANUFACTURERS ARE KNOWN TO MANUFACTURE SOLID FUEL BURNERS OF A SIZE SUITABLE FOR USE IN A NEW ZEALAND HOME. THEY POSSIBLY ALSO MANUFACTURE LARGE UNITS.

ANDERSONS FOUNDRY LTD., P.O. BOX 19 646, WOOLSTON, CHRISTCHURCH.

P.O. BOX 5494, FRANKTON, HAMILTON.

BROADY'S COAL RANGE CO., 126 HOBSON ST, AUCKLAND, I.

BRUGGER INDUSTRIES LTD., PRIVATE BAG, WAINUIOMATA, WELLINGTON.

CARNAHAN-ANDERSON LTD., P.O.BOX 34 074, BIRKENHEAD, AUCKLAND.

P.O. BOX II 134, ELLERSLIE, AUCKLAND.

FRYAN ENTERPRISES, P.O. BOX 23 214, PAPATOETOE, AUCKLAND.

GEORGE FRY & SON, 83 VICTORIA ST, CHRISTCHURCH.

GILLIES MANUFACTURING CO. LTD., P.O. BOX 342, OMARU.

P.O. BOX 5217, HAMILTON.

JENKINS & MACK, P.O. BOX 56, WELLINGTON.

KENT HEATING LTD., P.O. BOX 23 340, PAPATOETOE, AUCKLAND.

KINGSTON-CLOSE LTD., P.O. BOX II 032, SOCKBURN, CHRISTCHURCH.

MARSHALL ENGINEERING LTD., P.O. BOX 91, TAURANGA.

MASON & PORTER LTD., P.O. BOX 14 349, PANMURE, AUCKLAND.

MONT ELTHAM AGENCIES, 215 MAIN ST., GREYTOWN.

PRODUCTION ENGINEERING LTD., P.O. BOX 308, MARTON.

R.BUCHANAN & SONS LTD., P.O. BOX 24 087, EAST LINWOOD, CHRISTCHURCH.

RADIATION (NZ) LTD., P.O. BOX 144, DUNEDIN.

SOUTHLAND HEATING & MANUFACTURING CO.LTD., 122 DON ST., INVERCARGILL.

STACK MANUFACTURING CO.LTD., P.O. BOX 67 039, MT. EDEN, AUCKLAND.

THE POT BELLY STOVE CO. LTD., P.O. BOX 40 029, GLENFIELD, AUCKLAND, 10.

VISOR APPLIANCES (NZ) LTD, P.O. BOX 12 760, PENROSE, AUCKLAND.

W.J. JANSSENS INDUSTRIES LTD., P.O. BOX 20 070, GLEN EDEN, AUCKLAND.

WARMAIRE INDUSTRIES LTD., P.O. BOX 12 024, PENROSE, AUCKLAND.

WATER MASTER SYSTEMS LTD., COROGLEN, Via, THAMES.

THE FOLLOWING MANUFACTURERS ARE KNOWN TO MANUFACTURE SOLID FUEL BURNERS OF A SIZE SUITABLE FOR COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL USE. IN ONE CASE THE UNIT IS SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR GRAIN DRYING.

LARGE UNITS

APPLIED COMBUSTION SYSTEMS LTD, P.O. BOX 27, RANGIORA, CHRISTCHURCH.

THERMO PRODUCTS LTD, P.O. BOX 9479, HAMILTON.

WATERWIDE SYSTEMS LTD., P.O. BOX 4, HAUMOANA, HAWKES BAY.

WATER PUMP MANUFACTURERS

AGG-RAMS SALES & SERVICE, 38 LYON ST, KIHIKIHI.

D.H.DAVIES LTD., P.O. BOX 12 029, PENROSE, AUCKLAND.

J.HARRISON-SMITH, 120 17TH AVE., TAURANGA.

JOLLY WINDMILLS CO., P.O. BOX 57 101, AVONDALE, AUCKLAND.

MACEWANS MACHINERY LTD., P.O. BOX 942, DUNEDIN.

PLATA PUMPS LTD, P.O. BOX 221, DUNEDIN.

REID & HARRISON, 7 PERIA RD., MATAMATA.

WIND GENERATOR MANUFACTURERS

DEREK LITTLE, 65 WILLIAMSON AVE, GREY LYNN, AUCKLAND.

GALLAGHER ELECTRONICS LTD., P.O. BOX 5324, FRANKTON, HAMILTON.

N.Z.AEROSPACE INDUSTRIES LTD, HAMILTON AIRPORT, R.D. 2, HAMILTON.

PEL PRODUCTS LTD., P.O. BOX 9533, HAMILTON NORTH, HAMILTON.

PYE LTD., P.O. BOX 2839, AUCKLAND.

Re: Dunlite Wind Machines

SOMA WINDMILLS LTD, P.O. BOX 94, RUSSELL.

SPEEDRITE EQUIPMENT LTD., 27 TOTARA ST., LEVIN.

WIND DEVELOPMENTS, 12 CHAYTOR ST, TE PUKE.

WINDMILL MANUFACTURERS - MECHANICAL

B.M. INDUSTRIES LTD, P.O. BOX 21, SILVERDALE.

CARNAHAN-ANDERSON LTD., P.O.BOX 34 074, BIRKENHEAD, AUCKLAND.

E.T. LIENERT LTD., PRIVATE BAG, PLEASANT POINT, SOUTHCANTERBURY.

P.O. BOX 23 042, TEMPLETON, CHRISTCHURCH.

P.O. BOX 57 101, AVONDALE, AUCKLAND.

SOUTHERN CROSS MACHINERY (N.Z.) LTD., P.O. BOX 1343, PAL. NORTH.

WRIGHTSON NMA LTD.,
PRIVATE BAG,
WELLINGTON.

Re:BOWJON WIND MACHINERY

WOOD GASIFIER MANUFACTURER

FLUIDYNE R & D LTD., 62 HENDERSON VALLEY RD., HENDERSON, AUCKLAND.

USERS AND PROMOTERS OF SMALL SCALE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES

In this section, information selected from the files of EARTH RESEARCH FOUNDATION is given on users and promoters of small scale energy technologies. It is divided into four main sections. Firstly Government activities will be briefly considered, then groups or individuals reported in the press or directly notified to EARTH RESEARCH FOUNDATION. Then those listed in the Commission for the Enivronment's register are listed.

Finally all those microhydroelectric plant listed by the Ministry of Energy, N.Z.

Electricity is recorded.

SMALL SCALE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES

There are numerous Government (and quasi-Government) departments interested in the use of small scale energy technologies. Activities however tend to centre around a small number of them, often depending more on the interest of the specific researcher rather than departmental policy. Of particular interest are the following departments:

D.S.I.R.: The D.S.I.R. through its many departments is undertaking a wide range of experiments concerning small scale energy technologies. Of particular importance are those concerning solar energy and solid fuel burners being conducted at the Heat Transfer Laboratory, Physics and Engineering Laboratory (PEL), Gracefield, Wellington. This section is also undertaking research into the use of large scale wood pyrolysis for the production of liquid fuels.

Other divisions of potential interest include the Geothermal Laboratories based in Rotorua and Taupo, the Industrial Development Divisions at Auckland and Christchurch, and the Applied Biochemistry Division with respect to its work on ruminant digestion. This last piece of information should be tempered with the knowledge that ruminants (cows) digest their food (grass) in a manner very similar to methane digestors.

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries In its role of promoting development of all phases of agriculture, the M.A.F. operates Farm Advisory services as well as research establishments. These services undertake a wide range of activities – and specific interests willchange dependingupon the season, the location and the specific advisory officer.

Research Associations There are 12 research associations, generally funded jointly by the Government and the Industry they serve. These are:

Building Research Association of N.Z. Coal Research Association of N.Z.

N.Z. Concrete Research Association

N.Z. Dairy Research Institute

N.Z. Fertiliser Manufacturers Research Institute

N.Z. Leather and Shoe Research Association

N.Z. Logging Industry Research Association Meat Industry Research Institute of N.Z.

N.Z. Pottery and Ceramics Research Association

N.Z. Research Institute of Textile Services

Wool Research Organisation of N.Z.

Of these, only the Building Research Association (B.R.A.N.Z.), and the Coal Research Association (N.Z.C.R.A.) areof particular importance to small scale energy technologies.

Ministry of Works & Development M.W.D. as the department responsible for all government buildings has undertaken a limited range of experiments with solar water heating, and solid fuel burners. This activity is generally coordinated through Head Office, Wellington. As of March 1979, MWD solar water heating test sites were as follows:

Chief Post Office, Auckland Hostel, Otorohanga College

Batchelor Homestead Site, Massey university Vogel Building, MWD Head Office Wellington Telephone Exchange, Courtney Place, Wellington Bates Building, MWD District Office, Christchurch

MWD Workshop & Store, Washdyke

50 houses at the Cromwell hydro-construction village.

Housing Corporation H.C.N.Z. undertakes the construction of a large number of new dwellings each year for both government servants and government rental. They have no offical testing laboratory, but have undertaken a range of demonstration tests - most often in conjunction with the D.S.I.R.. As of March 1979 they were testing solar water heaters at four locations:

Cromwell 15 units
Rotorua 8 units
Masterton 4 units
Porirua 4 units

USERS OF SMALL SCALE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES

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Further help on the current status of the users of these technologies is, in

general, available from the author.



ASSORTED USERS OF SMALL SCALE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES

Contact: Karel Witten-Hannah, School teacher

Location: Lone Kauri Road, Waitakere,

Activity: Electricity generating windmill producing 1.3kW

Source: Auckland Star, 24 November, 1976

Northland Harbour Board, Phil Moore, Electrical overseer Contact:

Location: Northland.

Activity: Solar cells power remote lighthouses - trial

Source: Auckland Star, 24 Jan 1977

Contact: A.E.P.B., Supply Engineer, Ces Galich

Location: Auckland

Activity: Test of solar water heaters on staff houses

W.E.P.B./University of Auckland, Mr.M.J.Granger Contact:

Location: Silverdale

Activity: Test of verticalaxis wind-mill

Source: NZ Herald, 3/9/76

Contact: John Carter, Auckland Star, Chief Electrican

Location: Shortland St., Auckland

Activity: Windmill drives car generator to produce hot water

Source: Auckland Star, 9/9/76

Contact: Mr.G.Gair, Minister of Energy (ex)

Location: Wellington Activity: see clipping

Source: N.Z.Herald, 15/12/78

Contact: Prof.V.J.Chapman, c/-University of Auckland

Location: Northland

Activity: Growing sugar cane for alcohol production

Source: NZ Herald, 12/7/77

Contact: Bill Freeman,

Location: Parahaki, Whangarei,

Activity: Small electricial generating windmill

Source: Northern Advocate, 2 June 1976

Contact: Dargaville Swimming Pool,

Location: Dargaville,

Activity: Major installation for solar heating pool

Contact: Neil Cherry, Location: Lincoln College,

Activity: Investigating use of windmills

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Wellington Press Assn A husband in bed generates about the same heat as a 65-watt electric blanket on

a low setting.

The out-going Minister of Energy, Mr Gair, came up with this tongue-in-check bit of information in a speech in Wellington yesterday.

Mr Gair said he got the information after a Welling-

ton woman wrote to him seeking an assurance that householders with "comple-mentary sources of heat" at

night would not be charged at higher rates. "The lady in question wrote that when her husband had been away for two nights she had observed that one husband in bed all night generated the equivalent heat of an electric blanket placed on medium leat all night," he said.

Mr Gair said he had asked

the DSIR-to survey the heat output of husbands; compared with electric blankets.

"Their investigations so far have shown," he added, "that the standard 5ft 9in husband is the equivalent of the low setting of a 55-wat electric blanket, although further study is necessary to determine the effects of variations in the number of covers."

Dick Chilcott, Contact: Location: Lincoln College, Activity: Investigating use of wind energy Contact: Ken O'Connor, Location: Lincoln College, Grasslands Institute Activity: NZERDC contract to investigate small hydro Fishing Industry Board, Contact: Location: Wellington, Activity: Investigating alternative energy for vessels Source: NZERDC Contact: Dave Stewart, Ministry of Agriculture Location: Invermay Research Centre Activity: Biogas generators Contact: Location: Don Nichols, Environmental Ethics Trust Auckland, Activity: Recyle plastics, paper pellets for fuel Contact: George Spratt, Location: Auckland, 9 Glendene Ave, Glendene Activity: Electric cars, gasifier fueled car Contact: J.D. Hocking, Location: Rangitoto Farm, Bulls, Activity: Uses Clydesdale horse in daily running of farm Contact: Clydesdale Ag. Museum., Location: National Fielddays Area, Hamilton (Private Bag) Activity: Clydesdale Museum keeping records of modern uses Contact: Peter LeBas, Location: Northland, Activity: Pig farmer with homebuilt methane digestor Source: P.I.G.,(6:2) April 1976 Contact: Ralph Sewell. Location: Tiki Landing,, Coromandel Activity: Designer, builder & user of old-type windmills Source: Own book

Mike Brown, Dairy farmer

Conservation equipment, solar water heaters etc etc

Ruawai,

Contact: Location:

Activity:

Contact: D.J. Byers, Dept. Electrical Eng.
University of Canterbury, Senior Lecturer

Activity: Designer & Builder of electric vehicle

Contact: Ross Forbes, School teacher

Location: R.D. I, Kerikeri,

Activity: Solar house

Contact: Bruce Marks,

Location: EARTH EXTRACT,, R.D.3, Waipu Investigates alternative technologies

Contact: Arthur Williamson, Prof & Dean of Engineering School

Location: University of Canterbury, Dept. Chemical Eng.

Activity: Experiments with solar water heating

PEOPLE RECORDED IN COMMISSION FOR THE ENVIRONMENT REGISTER

Contact: A.Bowler,

Location: R.D.6, Minden Road, Tauranga Activity: Designer of solar water heater

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: R.A.Colins,

Location: Inlet Rd., Kerikeri

Activity: Designer of solar water heater

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: J.W.R.Currier,

Location: National Dairy Lab., Ruakura
Activity: Solar water heater for cow sheds

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: Ian Dopson,

Location: 45A Brandon St., Featherston

Activity: Solar food driers, wax extractors, Savonius windmill Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact:
Location:
Activity:
Ross Forbes, School Teacher
Rangitane, R.D.I, Kerikeri
Energy conserving house

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: Alec Hastwell,

Location: Hill St., South Richmond, Nelson

Activity: Passive solar house design

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: H.W. Hill,

Location: c/-Kelburn Met. Office,

Activity: Solar water heater design (installed 1961)

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: B Sellars,

Location: 22 Shelley Crescent, Stoke, Nelson Solar Greenhouse design & built

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: C.J. Studman,

Location: Agricultural Engineering Dept., Massey University

Activity: Solar water heater for cowsheds

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: Paul Worsley,

Location: Dairy Advisory Officer, Paeroa

Activity: Polythene pipe solar water heater for farms
Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: V.A.L.Chasteau,

Location: Dept.Mech.Eng., University of Auckland

Activity: 5m Darrieus Windturbine

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: Peter Holdsworth, Te Karaka, Gisborne,

Activity: Variable geometry vertical axis windmill/generator Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: J.G.Papesh, University of Canterbury Department of Mechanical Engineering

Activity: Wind energy through using tree sway for extraction Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: D.H.Taylor,

Location: 17 Third Ave, Tauranga

Activity: Windgenerator based on car alternator

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: W.G.Whittlestone,

Location: Ruakura Animal Research, Centre

Activity: Remotely controlled windmill waterpumping system Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: Clyde Biship,

Location: Lower Timaru Rd., R.D. 4, New Plymouth

Activity: Overshot waterwheel for pumping water to farm Commission for the Environment Register (1978) Nelson Thorburn,

Location: R.D. 4, Whangarei,

Activity: Home built methane digestor plant

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: J. A. Yager, R.D. I, Gisborne,

Activity: Home built methane digestor for manure disposal Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS TRUST, P.O.Box 26 270

Location: Auckland, Don Nichols

Activity: Paper pellets from old paper, recycle plastics

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY,

Location: R.D.2, Upper Moutere,

Activity: Community sewage methane digestor

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: Ian Cave, ex-DSIR

Location: R.D. 2, Upper Moutere, Nelson

Activity: High efficiency two chamber wood stove

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: G.R. Katzer, DSIR

Location: Heat Transfer Lab,, PEL, Gracefield Activity: High efficency wood stove design

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: Brodie Andrews,

Location: Wilderland Community, Whitianga Activity: Wood gasifiers, coal gasifier for car

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: W.J.Cousins, DSIR
Location: PEL,, Gracefield

Activity: Wood gasifiers-large scale for synthetic liquid fuel Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: Chris Harmer,
Location: Hanmer Springs,

Activity: Charcol gasifier for truck

Source: Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

Contact: L.V Walters,,

Location: Tryphena, Great Barrier, Island

Activity: Home gas generator for running stationary engine Commission for the Environment Register (1978)

PRIVATE HYDRO-ELECTRIC SCHEMES

This list was obtained from the Ministry of Energy, New Zealand Electricity, in April 1978. Further inquiries since that time have not produced a more recent listing, and it can only be assumed that few, if any, new stations have been built. The list covers only private hydro-electric plant in use of less than 50kW where generation is by the use of water.

Under the act governing New Zealand Electricity, they are required only to license plant generating electricity from water. A nominal fee is charged making the plant subject to offical inspection, and listing. Further information is available from the Commercial Division, New Zealand Electricty, Wellington.

PRIVATE HYDRO-ELECTRIC SCHEMES BY LOCATION

SOUTH ISLAND STATIONS

R.C. CRAIG,
REEFTON
WINCHESTER
MOANIA WOTHWILL ODGE
KUMARA
8MARAMA STATION, 10.0kW
OMARAMA
OTAMATAPAIO STATION, OMARAMA
L.V. BALL, MATAKANUI
GOWAN BRIDGE
TAKAKA
MARITA HAT COURTE
MARUIA
J. HURST.
PENTLAND HILLS, WAIMATE 2.0kW
I C FEI I
NIKAU BAY, MARLBOROUGH SOUNDS
W.J. LITTLE,
R.D. 2, TIMARU, OTAIO GORGE 2.5kW D.M. LEOD,
GRASSMERE, CASS 8.0kW
I.L. KEY,
MT. CREIGHTON STATION, OTAGO CENTRAL 4.0kW
MANAPOURI-DOUBTFUL SOUND TOURIST CO.,
LAKE TE ANAU
S.H. WEATHERALL
LAKE OHAU STATION
DOBSON BROTHERS.,

MANUKA ISLAND, MARLBOROUGH
MT. NICHOLAS STATION, QUEENSTOWN 16.0kW
UPPER CLARENCE RIVER
CEOFE FAMES LTD
OHAU LODGE, LAKE OHAU
EROWHON STATION, MT. SOMERS
WANAKA 10.8kW
WHITE ROCK CAVE
EARNSLAW STATION, GLENORCHY 20.6kW J.E. & P.A. PRESTLAND,
MINARET STATION, LAKE WANAKA
CLEARDALE, LAKE HERON
FLOCK HILL STATION, CASS
GLENGYLE STATION, MARLBOROUGH 5.0kW KELVIN HEIGHTS PROPERTY LTD.,
J.H. CROCKFORD.
WAINUI BAY,TAKAKA
CAMERONS FLAT, HAAST
QUEENSTOWN
GLENORCHY
LAKE HAWEA
CECIL PEAK STATION, LAKE WAKATIPU 20.0kW L. PROUTING,
LAKE HERON, MT. SOMERS
NEVIS VALLEY, CENTRAL OTAGO 9.5kW A.L. BOWRELL,
QUEENSTOWN

A total of 39 stations are thus recorded in the South Island, with a total generating capacity of 374.2 kW. The average size is 9.6 kW.

NORTH ISLAND STATIONS

CHANNEL 9 TRANSLATOR,	
MT. EGMONT NTL. PARK 27.0k	W>
D. PEAT.	
MAKAHOHO, WANGANUI	ςW
D.A. REDFERN,	
PIRONGIA, TE AWAMUTU	ςW
A.R. SCOTT.	
TOMBSTONE STATION, TAURANGA	cW.
J.M. FOWLER.	
TAUPAKI ROAD, AROHENA, BAY OF PLENTY 1.0k	W)

A total of 5 stations are thus recorded in the North Island, with a total generating capacity of 66.5 kW. The average size is 13.3 kW.

A total of 44 small hydro-electric generating stations are recorded for both islands, giving a total capacity of 440.7 kW, with an average plant size of 10 kW. This compares to the New Zealand Electricity (Government) generating capacity of 5,366 MW (1978).

The table below gives a break-down of plant size over the two islands.

SIZE	NORTH	SOUTH	TOTAL
0 - 1.9		5	6
3 - 4.9		4	14
5 - 6.9		7	7
7 - 9.9	1	7	8
10 - 14.9		9	9
15 - 19.9	2	3	5
20.0+	I	4	5
TOTAL	5	39	44

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